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MEMORANDUM FOR: DCI

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FROM:

Dave Gries

SUBJECT:

Scorecard with Congress

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Chiles Amendment on Moscow Embassy Construction: Chiles attempted to submit an amendment requiring the Director to certify publicly concerning engineering and security aspects of the Embassy. We were able to get this deleted and inserted instead in modified form in the classified annex of the Senate Intelligence Authorization Bill.

NASA Authorization Bill HR 5495: The bill is now in Conference. Sen. Hollings is moving to arrange DCI membership on the National Aeronautics and Space Council. House staff is aware of our request and are working on it. There is a 50-50 chance that the entire NASA bill may not be enacted because of opposition by the Administration to other provisions in the bill.

Status of Intelligence Authorization Bill: Differences between the House and Senate versions have been resolved and final passage of the bill occurred earlier this week.

--Status of Helms Amendments: The Helms amendments have been deleted from the bill that emerged from conference. However, much of the Helms language remains in the legislative report accompanying the Senate bill. Although it does not have the force of law and did not survive conference, we can comply with portions of it.

--Status of Hamilton Proposal: We lost this battle. The proposal to enact into permanent law the requirement to report to HPSCI and SSCI on transfer of defense articles and service in excess of \$1 million has been adopted. This requirement was originally contained in the FY 86 Intelligence Authorization bill, but its duration in that bill was only 1 year.

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Report on Counterintelligence and Security: The SSCI has published an unclassified version of its counterintelligence and security report after making more than 100 deletions from the original draft.

Report on the Estimative Process: The SSCI agreed to delete classified portions of its staff report on the estimative process. Committee members are now being polled on whether or not to publish the report.

Enhanced MG: Although Rep. Chappell's attitude is not completely clear, we have a commitment from Sen. Stevens' staff director to call immediately if he senses a problem. We have also polled two of Rep. Chappell's staffers. Currently, all these indicators are positive.

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Continuing Resolution (CR): The House plans to name its conferees for the CR conference on Monday. The official line is that they hope to bring the conference report to the floor by the end of next week. Another view is that the Iceland meeting has completely thrown the House leadership off schedule. Tip O'Neill had planned to leave the arms control provisions in the Defense portion of the bill as his final legacy. They cannot do this two days before the President goes to Iceland without paying an enormous political price. Therefore, according to this hypothesis, the leadership will stall and delay in conference and not have a CR for floor consideration until 14 or 15 October—after the Iceland conference.

The Senate is expected to pass on the CR today. The CR must be enacted by 8 October or another interim will be needed. SSCI is now doing behind-the-scenes work to prevent any cuts and to ensure that exemptions on undistributed cuts and inflation that are in the defense authorization bill (still in Committee) are included in the defense appropriations bill. To this end, SSCI has written Senators Stevens and Stennis.

Conference Report on Intelligence Authorization Bill: On Thursday, the House passed the conference report on the intelligence authorization bill. The Senate is scheduled to approve the report today, thereby clearing the measure for Presidential action. We are preparing a routine "enrolled bill" letter to OMB Directorate Miller from the DCI recommending Presidential signature of the bill, together with an accompanying proposed signing statement.

Congressional Access to Contractors: At least one staffer has told the Members of the HAC Defense Subcommittee that our recent letter on this topic implied that contractors had to report back to the Agency the substance of their meetings with Congressional Members and staff. We have solicited assistance from the Minority staff in ensuring that Members understand that your letter said no such thing. We have emphasized your security concerns, which the Members understand and support, and we hope that this issue will be tamped down before Congress reconvenes in January.



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